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SUBJECT: PETROLEUM STRIKE CONTINUES AS CONCILIATION EFFORT STALLS

REF: A. BRUSSELS 02019 OF MARCH 7, 1975

B. ANTWERP 0113 OF MARCH 11, 1975

1. INDUSTRY-WIDE PETROLEUM STRIKE WHICH HAS BEEN TOTAL SINCE MARCH 10 CONTINUES UNABATED FOLLOWING ALL NIGHT MEDIATION SESSION MARCH 10. TRADE UNIONS ACCEPTED CONCILIATION PROPOSAL MARCH 9. EMPLOYERS FEDERATION WHILE NOT DISPUTING POINTS IN CONCILIATION BROUGHT UP ADDITIONAL POINTS FOR WHICH THEY SEEK SATISFACTION BEFORE THEY WILL AGREE TO COMPROMISE (REF B). AS OF MARCH 11 MINISTRY OF LABOR HAS REFUSED SATISFY EMPLOYERS FEDERATION REQUEST. HOWEVER, MEDIATION CONTINUING AND WORKERS SCHEDULED MEET MARCH 11 IN ANTWERP TO DECIDE IF STRIKE SHOULD CONTINUE. IN MEANTIME STOCKS OF ALL OIL COMPANIES VERY LOW AND RETAIL OUTLETS ARE RATIONING. SOME STATIONS ALREADY ARE EMPTY.

2. COMMENT: DOUBT THAT GOVERNMENT WILL PERMIT STRIKE TO GO ON MUCH LONGER IN FACE OF SHORTAGE OF POL SUPPLIES. FIRESTONE

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